



Registered Nurses Association  
of the Northwest Territories and  
Nunavut

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**MEMBERSHIP**

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**SECTION 1** Classes

The following are the three classes of membership in the RNANT/NU:

- (a) active membership;
- (b) associate membership;
- (c) honorary membership; and
- (d) student membership.

**SECTION 2** Composition and rights and privileges of classes of membership

(1) Active Membership

- (a) The members of this class consist of properly registered nurses, nurse practitioners and temporary certificate holders.
- (b) The rights and privileges of this class, in addition to any right or privilege conferred under the Act are
  - (i) to be a voting delegate in elections, to make nominations and to seek nomination to be elected to an office of the Association,
  - (ii) to make resolutions at general meetings,
  - (iii) to participate in the work of the Association and to volunteer on committees,
  - (iv) to receive the Association newsletter,
  - (v) to receive professional liability protection,
  - (vi) to receive any benefits resulting from the Association's membership in affiliated national and international associations, and

- (vii) the right to communicate with the Association or Board at anytime on nursing matters.

(2) Associate Membership

- (a) The members of this class are those members of the Association who are no longer practicing nursing in the Northwest Territories or Nunavut who choose to be associate members and who pay an annual fee prescribed by the Board.
- (b) The rights and privileges of this class are
  - (i) the right to participate as a non-voting member in the activities of the Association, and
  - (ii) the right to receive the Association newsletter

(3) Honorary Membership

- (a) Honorary membership may be conferred upon any person who in the opinion of two-thirds of the Board has rendered such service or made such a contribution to the Association or to nursing in the Northwest Territories or Nunavut, as to be so honored.
- (b) Members or former members may submit names for consideration by the Board in writing.
- (c) A maximum of two members may be selected during the biennial period and the honour is conferred at the next general meeting of the Association.

(4) Student Membership

- (a) The members of this class are those members of the Association who are enrolled in an approved school of nursing in the Northwest Territories or Nunavut and who pay an annual fee prescribed by the Board.
- (b) The rights and privileges of this class are
  - i. the right to participate as a non-voting member in the activities of the Association, as set out in policy.
  - ii. the right to receive the Association newsletter
- (c) The members of this class may, in accordance with policy, be enrolled as a Canadian Nurses Association (CNA) Student Member, and to receive any

benefits identified for student members resulting from the Association's membership in affiliated national and international associations.

### SECTION 3 Termination of Membership

- (1) Any member may resign as a member of the Association by informing the Registrar of his/her intention to resign before the deadline for renewal.
- (2) Any member who does not pay his/her fees shall have his/her membership terminated.
- (3) The membership of any member who has had his/her certificate of registration or temporary certificate suspended or cancelled, in accordance with the Act, and the bylaws shall be terminated.